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SUBJECT: NAZI WAR CRIMINALS INVESTIGATIONS

ATTN: MR. WILLIAM HURST, SCS

1. SUPERINTENDENT M. RUSEK, ISRAELI NATIONAL POLICE, BEGINS A TWO-WEEK OFFICIAL VISIT AT INVITATION OF FRG ON SEPTEMBER 4, 1978. WHILE IN THE FRG HE WOULD LIKE TO VISIT THE BERLIN DOCUMENT CENTER. MENDELSON THINKS THIS WOULD BE A GOOD IDEA. HOW CAN IT BE ACCOMPLISHED?

2. PLEASE INFORM COLIT THAT MENDELSON LEAVES TEL AVIV AUGUST 16 AT 0630 LOCAL TIME ON EL AL 007 ARRIVAL AT JFK N.Y. 1405 LOCAL TIME WITH CONNECTION ON BRANIFF 101 LEAVING JFK 1740 LOCAL TIME ARRIVING DC 1900 LOCAL TIME. COLIT SHOULD NOTIFY INS AND CUSTOMS TO EXPEDITE ARRIVAL AT JFK AND K. FOGASH OF OMB (395-4814) OF ETA DC.

3. GENE THIROLF, COLIT, SHOULD BE INFORMED THAT RICHARD VIETS, FORMERLY DCM AMEMBASSY BUCHAREST, NOW IN U.S. ON HOME LEAVE.

4. JOHN HAZARD, AN EXPERT ON SOVIET LAW, LAST KNOWN TO BE TEACHING AT RUSSIAN INSTITUTE, COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY. COLIT SHOULD FIND OUT WHETHER HE IS STILL ALIVE FOR POSSIBLE USE.

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5. PLEASE INFORM COLIT MENDELSON WILL BE IN AN OFFICE SOMETIME THURSDAY, AUGUST 17, (TIME UNKNOWN) AND THAT HE INTENDS TO GO TO DETROIT FOR AUGUST 22 HEARING.

6. ON AGUST 13 MENDELSON MET WITH YAD VASHEM STAFF. DR. LAVI IS A CREDIBLE WITNESS WHO IS WILLING TO TESTIFY. HEALTH PROBLEMS PREVENT TRAVEL TO U.S. HE IS WILLING TO BE DESPOSED. THIROLF

SHOULD PLAN ON MEETING WITH LAVI TO PREPARE FOR SUBSEQUENT
DESPOSITION. IF NECESSARY, DR. LAVI'S ASSISTANT CAN TESTIFY
IN U.S.

7. MENDELSON MET WITH GENERAL MINKOVSKY, ISRAELI NATIONAL
POLICE, TO DISCUSS FUTURE COOPERATION.

8. MENDELSON SUBSEQUENTLY MET WITH MINISTER OF JUSTICE S. TAMIR,
ATTORNEY GENERAL GABRIEL BLOCK AND M.D. GOLDMAN, SENIOR ATTORNEY,
TO CHART FUTURE PLANS FOR COOPERATION AND DISCUSS OTHER MATTERS
OF INTEREST.

9. ISRAELI ARCHIVES AT YAD VESHEM, MINISTRY OF JUSTICE AND POLICE
HAVE BEEN OPENED FOR COLIT'S USE THROUGH MAJOR RUSEK'S OFFICE.
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